



Celite Corporation



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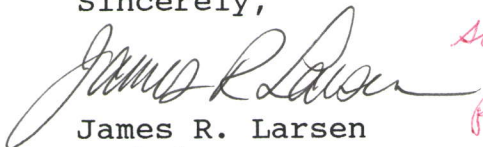
Dear Mr. Hedberg:

On January 28th, we submitted to you our Annual Report of Mining Operations for 1990. At that time, we pointed out the change in the name our of company. This letter is intended to give you some background on that change and on the change of ownership, currently underway with our company.

At the time of the original filing of applications for permits, we were the Filtration and Minerals Division of Manville Sales Corporation. In September of 1990, the name was changed to the Celite Corporation, a company of Manville Corporation. The change was accomplished to capitalize on the tradename recognition of the diatomaceous earth products sold from here in Lompoc. Effective July 31st, the Celite Corporation will be sold to Alleghany Corporation of New York.

The operator of the Utah Perlite Project was and is the Celite Corporation. In effect there has been no change in operator from the first filing. We recognize that the name changes can be confusing, and we hope this helps clarify the situation for you. If you still need a Transfer of Notice of Intention form filled out, please let us know.

Sincerely,


James R. Larsen
Market Manager

*Celite Corp is remaining the operator after
sale to Alleghany Corp.*

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to Celite Corp.*

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